

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ABBYY USA SOFTWARE HOUSE INC,

Plaintiff (s),

v.

NUANCE COMMUNICATIONS INC,
Defendant(s).No. C **08-01035 MEJ****ORDER SETTING INITIAL CASE
MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE AND
ADR DEADLINES**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this action is assigned to the Honorable Maria-Elena James. When serving the complaint or notice of removal, the plaintiff or removing defendant must serve on all other parties a copy of this order, the Notice of Assignment of Case to a United States Magistrate Judge for Trial, and all other documents specified in [Civil Local Rule 4-2](#). Counsel must comply with the case schedule listed below unless the Court otherwise orders.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this action is assigned to the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Multi-Option Program governed by [ADR Local Rule 3](#). Counsel and clients shall familiarize themselves with that rule and with the material entitled "Dispute Resolution Procedures in the Northern District of California" on the Court ADR Internet site at www.adr.cand.uscourts.gov. A limited number of printed copies are available from the Clerk's Office for parties in cases not subject to the court's Electronic Case Filing program (ECF).

CASE SCHEDULE -ADR MULTI-OPTION PROGRAM

Date	Event	Governing Rule
2/20/2008	Complaint filed	
5/8/2008	*Last day to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> meet and confer re: initial disclosures, early settlement, ADR process selection, and discovery plan file Joint ADR Certification with Stipulation to ADR Process or Notice of Need for ADR Phone Conference 	FRCivP 26(f) & ADR L.R.3-5 Civil L.R. 16-8
5/22/2008	*Last day to file Rule 26(f) Report, complete initial disclosures or state objection in Rule 26(f) Report and file Case Management Statement per attached Standing Order re Contents of Joint Case Management Statement (also available at http://www.cand.uscourts.gov)	FRCivP 26(a) (1) Civil L.R. 16-9
5/29/2008	INITIAL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE (CMC) in Ctrm. B, 15th Floor, SF at 10:00 AM	Civil L.R. 16-10

* If the Initial Case Management Conference is continued, the other deadlines are continued accordingly.

Chief Judge Marilyn Hall Patel
Standing Orders

Notices;

1. Civil Law and Motion Calendar is held on Monday at 2:00 p.m. for Motions; 3:00 p.m. for Status Conferences; 4:00 p.m. for Case Management Conferences. The Criminal Calendar will be called every Monday at 9:00 a.m.
2. Counsel should listen to the recorded message at 415-522-3140 for the first available dates for motions.
3. Counsel are expected to consult and conform with all provisions of the Local Rules relating to continuances and motions, including motions for reconsideration, and all other matters.
4. Motions to dismiss shall not be filed before the initial Case Management Conference except by leave of court.
5. All evidentiary submissions on motions and for trial shall be filed in accordance with the court's instructions. Copies of the instructions are available from the docket clerk.
6. Discovery disputes are governed by Civ. LR 37-1(a) and (b). Parties must comply with the meet and confer requirements of 37-1(a) before contacting the court. If it is necessary to involve the court, the parties shall arrange a phone conference through the Courtroom Deputy. Written letter briefs shall not be filed unless requested by the court.
7. Summary Judgment motions: Only one joint statement of undisputed facts, signed by all parties, shall be filed at time of filing of oppositions. If the parties are unable to agree that a fact is undisputed, then that fact shall be in dispute.
8. Counsel must submit courtesy copies of pleadings, motions, or other papers to chambers in cases designated as "E-File" only.

STANDING ORDER FOR ALL JUDGES OF THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CONTENTS OF JOINT CASE MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

Commencing March 1, 2007, all judges of the Northern District of California will require the identical information in Joint Case Management Statements filed pursuant to Civil Local Rule 16-9. The parties must include the following information in their statement which, except in unusually complex cases, should not exceed ten pages:

1. Jurisdiction and Service: The basis for the court's subject matter jurisdiction over plaintiff's claims and defendant's counterclaims, whether any issues exist regarding personal jurisdiction or venue, whether any parties remain to be served, and, if any parties remain to be served, a proposed deadline for service.
2. Facts: A brief chronology of the facts and a statement of the principal factual issues in dispute.
3. Legal Issues: A brief statement, without extended legal argument, of the disputed points of law, including reference to specific statutes and decisions.
4. Motions: All prior and pending motions, their current status, and any anticipated motions.
5. Amendment of Pleadings: The extent to which parties, claims, or defenses are expected to be added or dismissed and a proposed deadline for amending the pleadings.
6. Evidence Preservation: Steps taken to preserve evidence relevant to the issues reasonably evident in this action, including interdiction of any document-destruction program and any ongoing erasures of e-mails, voice mails, and other electronically-recorded material.
7. Disclosures: Whether there has been full and timely compliance with the initial disclosure requirements of Fed. R. Civ. P. 26 and a description of the disclosures made.
8. Discovery: Discovery taken to date, if any, the scope of anticipated discovery, any proposed limitations or modifications of the discovery rules, and a proposed discovery plan pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f).
9. Class Actions: If a class action, a proposal for how and when the class will be certified.
10. Related Cases: Any related cases or proceedings pending before another judge of this court, or before another court or administrative body.
11. Relief: All relief sought through complaint or counterclaim, including the amount of any

damages sought and a description of the bases on which damages are calculated. In addition, any party from whom damages are sought must describe the bases on which it contends damages should be calculated if liability is established.

12. Settlement and ADR: Prospects for settlement, ADR efforts to date, and a specific ADR plan for the case, including compliance with ADR L.R. 3-5 and a description of key discovery or motions necessary to position the parties to negotiate a resolution.

13. Consent to Magistrate Judge For All Purposes: Whether all parties will consent to have a magistrate judge conduct all further proceedings including trial and entry of judgment.

14. Other References: Whether the case is suitable for reference to binding arbitration, a special master, or the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation.

15. Narrowing of Issues: Issues that can be narrowed by agreement or by motion, suggestions to expedite the presentation of evidence at trial (e.g., through summaries or stipulated facts), and any request to bifurcate issues, claims, or defenses.

16. Expedited Schedule: Whether this is the type of case that can be handled on an expedited basis with streamlined procedures.

17. Scheduling: Proposed dates for designation of experts, discovery cutoff, hearing of dispositive motions, pretrial conference and trial.

18. Trial: Whether the case will be tried to a jury or to the court and the expected length of the trial.

19. Disclosure of Non-party Interested Entities or Persons: Whether each party has filed the "Certification of Interested Entities or Persons" required by Civil Local Rule 3-16. **In addition**, each party must restate in the case management statement the contents of its certification by identifying any persons, firms, partnerships, corporations (including parent corporations) or other entities known by the party to have either: (i) a financial interest in the subject matter in controversy or in a party to the proceeding; or (ii) any other kind of interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the proceeding.

20. Such other matters as may facilitate the just, speedy and inexpensive disposition of this matter.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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Plaintiff,
vs.
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Defendant.

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CONSENT TO ASSIGNMENT OR
REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT.

CONSENT TO PROCEED BEFORE A UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

In accordance with the provisions of 18 U.S.C. Section 636(c), the undersigned party hereby consents to have United States Magistrate Judge conduct any and all further proceedings in the case, including trial, and order the entry of a final judgment, and voluntarily waives the right to proceed before a United States District Judge.

Dated: _____

Signature

Counsel for _____

REQUEST FOR REASSIGNMENT TO A UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR TRIAL
AND DISPOSITION

The undersigned party hereby declines to consent to the assignment of this case to a United States Magistrate Judge for trial and disposition and hereby requests the reassignment of this case to a United States District Judge.

Dated: _____

Signature

Counsel for _____